

## DR. BUTLER STYLES ROWELL AS A DREAMER

Says California Republican Chairman Has Been "Caught With the Goods."

## HE HINTS AT BETRAYAL

Head of Columbia Denies Trying to Influence Golden State Result.

Nicholas Murray Butler fired a broadside last night in reply to a charge reported to have been made by Chester H. Rowell, chairman of the California Republican committee, that the Columbia University president was responsible for the defeat of Charles Evans Hughes in the Golden State.

Mr. Rowell, who, next to Gov. Johnson, was formerly the most influential of the Progressive party leaders in California and had a voice in Bull Moose national councils four years ago, was quoted as accusing Dr. Butler of advising the Republican State organization that its duty lay in accomplishing the defeat of Gov. Johnson, and of telling the Republican national managers that the Hughes campaign in California was in no sense outside help.

Dr. Butler not only branded these statements as false, but further asserted that Mr. Rowell had urged him to act as an arbitrator between the Progressive and Republican leaders in California.

"Caught With the Goods." "I must admit Mr. Rowell's effrontery," said Dr. Butler. "There is not one word of truth in his statements. Having been caught by public opinion with the goods on his person he cries 'Stop thief!' at the first evidence that he is being walked down the street."

"The one overmastering fact is that Mr. Rowell, as chairman of the Republican State central committee, conducted the campaign in California. He had \$25,000 turned over to him by Mr. Crocker (National committee), and he had the cordial support of Mr. Crocker, Mr. Keessling (former State chairman) and all the regular Republicans."

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"Refused to Be Arbitrator." Dr. Butler also remarked: "When I was in California last summer Mr. Rowell did his best to get me to take part in the controversy. He called at my hotel twice and remained an hour or two each time."

"On the morning of August 14 I called at Mr. Crocker's office in San Francisco and found Mr. Crocker, Mr. Keessling and Mr. Rowell. They all seemed to be in a state of confusion."

"I told Mr. Rowell that, being only a visitor in the State, I could not undertake to act as an arbitrator."

"As to the statement that he had advised national headquarters here that California was a lost cause, Mr. Rowell said: 'That statement is as foolish and as false as the others. I went to Canada after leaving California and did not return to New York until October. There is not a word of truth in what Mr. Rowell has said. It has taken him a long time to think up his statement.'

## ROWELL'S NEW VERSION.

Says Johnson Could Not Deliver His Personal Following.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 10.—Chester H. Rowell, Republican State chairman of California, who was one of the most aggressive of the Progressive leaders who fought William H. Crocker and his associates in control of the Republican organization and who is looked upon as the representative of Senator-elect Hiram W. Johnson, has issued for several days a conference with friends regarding the situation in California. Johnson and his followers feel very keenly the insinuations made in connection with the poor showing made by Mr. Rowell in the Golden State as compared with Johnson's plurality of 80,000 and are now striving to defend themselves from what they insist is an unjust charge.

Rowell has been talking to Hiram Johnson politically for many years. They have worked so closely together that Rowell's attitude now causes no surprise here. It is only because he came East to attempt to make Johnson's defeat carry weight with leaders of a party.

In a statement today Rowell insists that the situation in California was merely the general situation prevailing throughout the country, "aggravated by the fact that the Hughes campaign was conducted by Mr. Rowell, who is a Republican."

"The actual contrast in the votes is nothing like so great as it appears to be. The majority for Johnson received 200,000 more majority than Hughes, but only 112,177 more votes. Johnson's vote in fact fell 157,818 behind the combined Progressive and Republican vote of two years ago."

"A similar discrepancy was noticed in the votes in many other States. The excess votes of Kellogg in Minnesota, Capper in Kansas, and the North Dakota and Ponderosa in Washington over the Hughes votes in their own States were nearly as startling as the Johnson excess in California, and there were similar excesses on a smaller scale nearly everywhere."

"In California this excess of Republican candidates over the Hughes vote was by no means confined to Progressive Republicans. In the Fourth Congressional district, for instance, Julius Kahn, Republican, carried the district by 41,249, while Wilson carried the district. In the Third district Curry, Republican, carried the district by 31,283, while Wilson carried it by approximately 10,000."

"These figures reduce the discrepancy to understandable proportions. When it is added that Johnson is ineffectually the strongest personal vote getter in California, but that in three recent elections previous to this one he has been,

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## Wicks Legislative Investigating Committee to Resume Inquiry To-day.

Like Theodore Roosevelt, unable to deliver his personal strength to candidates or movements which he favored; that Johnson got a large personal Democratic support that could not go to Hughes; that he had nearly the solid labor vote and that he had of course the solid Progressive vote, it becomes plain why Johnson could lose (as he did) more than half of the Republican vote of two years ago and still pass Hughes 100,000 in votes and 300,000 in majority. There is nothing mysterious or suspicious in Johnson's strength."

Of the failure of Johnson to meet Hughes Rowell says: "The fact that Mr. Hughes did not meet Gov. Johnson has been made much of—too much. It was not in the least a mere question of personal courtesy. It was a question of recognizing or not recognizing Progressive support of Hughes. But every effort to this end was stubbornly negated by the Crocker-Keessling Old Guard committee, who announced that they would not support Mr. Hughes at any of the Hughes meetings, but that nothing must be permitted which would permit the suspicion that Hughes was neutral as between Johnson and his opponent for the Republican nomination."

Rowell charges that the Crocker crowd spent all the money they could collect on the primary fight and turned over to the Progressive an empty treasury. On the other hand, he says, Johnson turned over to the Hughes campaign \$10,000 that had been sent him from the East for his own Senatorial campaign.

"Upon so small an incident," concludes the Rowell statement, "turned a Presidential election and perhaps the history of the nation and the world."

## YESTERDAY'S CONCERTS.

Hamelin in Wolf Programme.

Kreisel and Friedberg Heard.

Owing to the fact that neither the Philharmonic nor the Symphony Society contributed to the pleasures of Sunday it was a comparatively quiet day in the world of music. George Hamelin, Chicago tenor, lately heard in concert, returned to town to sing in the afternoon in Aeolian Hall a programme of Hugo Wolf lyrics.

He interpreted four Morricke lieder, eight Italian songs, "Der Ratthensenger," Reinick's "Deselienlied," and four Elendhorst songs. It is no small task to hold the attention of an audience for the length of one composer's songs. That Mr. Hamelin with his fine skill and versatility in interpretation is equal to such a test was shown by the close interest of the audience. Several songs had to be repeated. Joan Doane played the accompaniments meticulously.

The process of combining solo artists in concerts continues. So many of them are here that there is not room for all to advance in column and so they have taken to line formation. Mr. Kreisel and Carl Friedberg, pianist, appeared together in the afternoon in Carnegie Hall.

Together they gave a delightful performance of Brahms's G major sonata. The other important feature of the entertainment was Mr. Kreisel's delivery of Viotti's Ad minor concerto, in which there were some small alterations from the original, but which was otherwise of lofty dignity of conception and fine technical skill.

## Save a Child by Quick Wit.

Oscar Bay, L. I. Dec. 10.—To save the life of a child who ran across his path, the chauffeur of Elton Huntington Hooker of 15 East Sixty-seventh street, Manhattan, today ran the car containing his employer and several members of his family to the sidewalk.

The Hooker car was travelling twenty miles an hour when the younger ran in front of it. The chauffeur took the only turn left to him, and at the risk of endangering his passengers accomplished the feat. Mr. Hooker, who is president and director of the Development and Funding Company, was on his way to dinner with William Loeb, Jr.

## Delicious Sweets for Christmas Week

In most homes the holiday feasts are the big events of the year. All sorts of good things to eat are provided. But the desserts are most eagerly anticipated and most critically judged. On them is lavished the greatest care and skill!

So it is important that only the best quality of cane sugar be used—for sugar is the vital ingredient of desserts, not only because it makes them so delicious, but also because sugar is, in itself, a wholesome, energizing food.

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## COLD STORAGE EGGS DROP TO 35C. A DOZ.

Grocery Stores in New York Lower Price, but Boycott Will Continue.

## WILL ARRIVE WEDNESDAY

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Officials of the State Department and the American commissioners admittedly are worried by the lack of definite news concerning Carranza's attitude, but still hope that any objections or counter proposition he may make will not vitally affect the agreement respecting border conditions. If the contrary proves the case, there is a virtually unanimous opinion among the officials of the State Department that Carranza's refusal to indorse the protocol will be followed up by withdrawal of the American troops from northern Mexico.

The chief fear here is that Carranza, for political effect in Mexico, will endeavor to stipulate certain changes in the protocol with special reference to the withdrawal of Brigadier Pershing's command and the right of Mexicans to pursue bandits into American territory. The practical benefit of this latter provision is admittedly not so far as Mexico is concerned, but Carranza is said to be loath to extend the privilege of crossing the boundary line to American troops without a reciprocal privilege extended to him.

With reference to the withdrawal of Brigadier Pershing's command it is agreed that the American troops will be withdrawn within forty days after the signing of the protocol, provided conditions in northern Mexico warrant it. The United States is to be the judge of these conditions, and this provision is also said to have met with lukewarm support by Carranza and his advisers.

Rewarding public opinion it is admitted here that Carranza would like to have the protocol definitely stipulate that the American troops be withdrawn after forty days and likewise make the provision reciprocal respecting crossing the border.

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Embassies from Mexico and the United States have been making the situation by instructions from Carranza. For this reason it is believed in circles close to the Mexican embassy that Carranza is in P. M. at the same place. Mr. Perkins is chairman of both committees.

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## Mayor's Committee to Meet.

The Mayor's Committee on Food Supply, which was appointed in the summer of 1914, will meet at 2 o'clock this afternoon at the office of George W. Perkins, 21 Broadway. The committee recently named by Gov. Whitman to investigate the high price of foodstuffs and to recommend remedial legislation will meet at the office of George W. Perkins, 21 Broadway. The committee recently named by Gov. Whitman to investigate the high price of foodstuffs and to recommend remedial legislation will meet at the office of George W. Perkins, 21 Broadway.

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## PAIR PLANNING TO WED KILLED

Step in Front of Automobile While Discussing Marriage.

Talking over the plans for their marriage, Augustus Anderson, 36, a carpenter, of Manhattan, and Elizabeth, 26, stepped into the road in front of an automobile in Great Neck yesterday and were struck by it. Both died within an hour.

The wedding was planned by Dr. Joseph A. Mulholland of Great Neck, a physician connected with an eye and ear hospital in New York. According to him, the two stepped in front of his car, giving him no time to avert the accident. After the accident he placed the young woman in his own car and sped toward the Mines Hospital. She was dead when he arrived.

## SUNDAY BOYCOTTS STORES.

Boston Churches Urged Not to Trade With Firms Favoring Saloon.

Boston, Dec. 10.—The management of the Billy Sunday campaign has inaugurated a boycott of business men who aid the liquor forces in getting votes to continue license in Boston. Allan C. Peabody, chairman of the Sunday evangelist's campaign, has sent a letter to 200 Protestant churches in Boston which says:

"We understand on good authority that an attempt is being made and perhaps has already been made to line up Boston business for booze, that the retail concerns have been asked to lend their names to the plea of the liquor interests for a 'yes' vote in Boston on December 19."

"I urge your congregation to refuse to do trade with any business firm, no matter how influential it may be in the community, if it makes itself an ally to the brewery, the distillery and the saloon."

At two Sunday meetings to-day 56,000 men stood up and pledged themselves to vote "No."

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## PAN'S TRIP NEAR END.

Commissioner Will Be in Washington Wednesday With Protocol.

LAREDO, Tex., Dec. 10.—Alberto J. Pan, member of the Joint Mexican American Commission, which considered border problems at Atlantic City, arrived here to-day and left at noon for Washington, where he expects to arrive Wednesday afternoon.

He declined to discuss the protocol which he carried to Carranza, and the First Chief had signed the document. Senior Pan said he must observe silence until he reached Washington and conferred with his colleagues on the commission.

From private, but apparently reliable information, however, it was learned that the protocol has not been signed by Gen. Carranza, but that Senior Pan is carrying a reply from the First Chief requesting a few minor changes in phrasing. It was said the document as a whole met with Carranza's approval and that with the changes desired have been made arrangements for his signature would be authorized by telegraph.

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